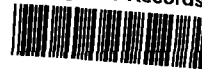


ENVIRON

June 4, 2003

EPA Region 5 Records Ctr.



362903

Mr. Dion Novak
Superfund Division
United State Environmental Protection Agency
77 West Jackson Boulevard
Mail Code: SR-6J
Chicago, Illinois 60604

Re: Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study
Eagle Zinc Company Site, Hillsboro, Illinois

Dear Mr. Novak:

As discussed in ENVIRON's letter to you dated May 30, 2003 and in our recent telephone conversations, based on the ground water and surface water data collected in March 2003 during Phase 2 of the Remedial Investigation (RI) at the Eagle Zinc Site, ENVIRON and the Eagle Zinc Site Parties have proposed the completion of additional ground water and surface water sampling in off-site areas located west of the southwestern portion of the site.

If acceptable to the Agency, these supplementary data will be collected following receipt of your approval and the data will be integrated with the Phase 2 data collected in March 2003 in a single comprehensive Phase 2 Technical Memorandum, as opposed to completing the work as a separate phase of the RI (e.g., Phase 3). This approach is also in keeping with our initial discussions regarding efforts to minimize the typical project reporting and comment cycle.

As the development of this supplementary work plan was conducted during the 90-day time frame for completing the Phase 2 RI activities and initial preparation of the draft Phase 2 Technical Memorandum, if the Agency requires submission of the Technical Memorandum prior to approving the additional activities, ENVIRON and the Parties request a 14-day extension for submission of the Phase 2 Technical Memorandum. The extension period would begin upon receipt of the Agency's verbal or written determination concerning the proposals contained in ENVIRON's May 30, 2003 letter. This time period will allow the Parties to review and provide comments on the draft Technical Memorandum. The Parties' review of the draft document was delayed while the scope of the additional sampling activities outlined in ENVIRON's May 30, 2003 letter was developed and internally discussed.

If you have any questions concerning this or any other project matter, please do not hesitate to call me.

Sincerely,

ENVIRON International Corporation



F. Ross Jones, P.G.
Manager

FRJ:als

R:\Client Project Files\Eagle Zinc\Tech Memo 2\Additional Sampling\Novak_060403 ext. request ltr.doc

cc: Rick Lanham – IEPA Bureau of Land
Tim Biggs – CH2M Hill
John Ix, Esq. – Dechert
Paul Harper – Eagle-Picher
Doug Ucci – QMG; representing Eagle-Picher
Gordon Kuntz – Sherwin-Williams
Roy Ball - ENVIRON